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SUBJECT: ZAIRE: NEXT STEPS

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1. WE MET MORNING OF MAY 24 WITH BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTER'S DEPUTY CHEF DE CABINET (ONKELINX), MADE POINTS REFTEL A, AND LEFT HIM WITH A PIECE OF PAPER BASED ON PARA FOUR. ONKELINX SAID HE WOULD PASS THIS TO FOREIGN MINISTER SIMONET IMMEDIATELY AND THAT THEY WOULD BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH US SOON WITH BELGIUM'S INITIAL VIEWS, PROBABLY AFTER CHEF DE CABINET CAHEN RETURNS FROM PARIS WITH PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS THIS AFTERNOON. HE SAID THAT BELGIANS AGREE WITH US ABOUT THE NECESSITY FOR A FULL ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION IN ZAIRE AND THAT SIMONET HAS ALREADY ORDERED AN INTERAGENCY FUNDAMENTAL REVIEW OF ZAIRE AND BELGIAN AND WESTERN POLICY TOWARDS ZAIRE AND THE REST OF

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2. FOCUSING ON THE REFERENCE TO POSSIBLE U.S. CONSULTATIONS ON ZAIRE IN EUROPE WITH BELGIANS, FRENCH AND PERHAPS OTHERS (REFTEL A PARA 4-A), ONKELINX SAID THAT SIMONET MIGHT WANT TO DISCUSS ZAIRE IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK WHERE HE AND HIS KEY ADVISORS

WILL BE PRESENT FOR THE NATO SUMMIT.

3. SIMONET LEAVES FOR U.S. MAY 27, WILL BE AT
WASHINGTON NATO SUMMIT MAY 30-31, AND WILL ADDRESS
THE U.N. SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT JUNE 2. FULL
SIMONET U.S. SCHEDULE WAS REPORTED REF C.

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